



Programmable Controller
MELSEC iQ-F

MELSEC iQ-F FX5-2HC/ES Hardware Manual

FX5

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This manual describes the part names, dimensions, installation, and specifications of the product. Before use, read this manual and manuals of relevant products fully to acquire proficiency in handling and operating the product. Make sure to learn all the product information, safety information, and precautions.

And, store this manual in a safe place so that you can take it out and read it whenever necessary. Always forward it to the end user.

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SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

(Read these precautions before use.)

If the product is used in a manner not specified by Mitsubishi Electric, the protection provided by the product may be impaired.

This manual classifies the safety precautions into two categories: ⚠️ "WARNING" and ⚠️ "CAUTION".

⚠️ WARNING	Indicates that incorrect handling may cause hazardous conditions, resulting in death or severe injury.
⚠️ CAUTION	Indicates that incorrect handling may cause hazardous conditions, resulting in minor or moderate injury or property damage.

Depending on the circumstances, procedures indicated by "⚠️ CAUTION" may also cause severe injury. It is important to follow all precautions for personal safety.

ASSOCIATED MANUAL

Manual name	Manual No.	Description
MELSEC iQ-F FX5 High-Speed Counter Module User's Manual	SH-082631ENG	Details of the high-speed counter module
MELSEC iQ-F FX5S/FX5UJ/FX5UJ/FX5UC User's Manual (Hardware)	SH-082542ENG	Details of hardware of the CPU module, including performance specifications, wiring, installation, and maintenance

For the necessary product manuals or documents, consult with your local Mitsubishi Electric representative. Or, access the following URL and download the data.

www.mitsubishielectric.com/fa/ref/ref.html?kisyu=plc&manual=download_all

APPLICABLE STANDARDS

The FX5-2HC/ES complies with the EU Directive (EMC Directive) and UL standards (UL, cUL) and UKCA marking. To ensure that the FX5-2HC/ES meets UL/cUL standards, use a SELV (safety extra-low voltage) power supply that meets LIM (limited-energy circuit) or UL 1310 Class 2 for external power (DC power) for the entire system.

Further information can be found in the following manual.

└─MELSEC iQ-F FX5 High-Speed Counter Module User's Manual

Regarding the standards that relate to the CPU module, please refer to either the product catalog or consult with your local Mitsubishi Electric representative.

Attention
This product is designed for use in industrial applications.

1. Outline

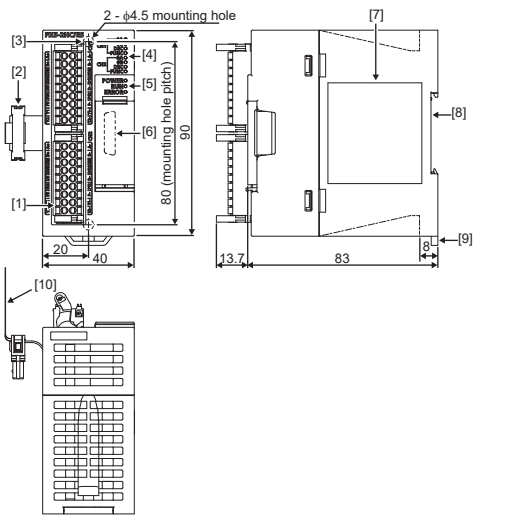
The FX5-2HC/ES high-speed counter module (hereinafter referred to as "FX5-2HC/ES") is an intelligent function module that performs the high-speed input from differential line driver type devices.

1.1 Incorporated items

Check that the following product and items are included in the package:

Item	Quantity
FX5-2HC/ES high-speed counter module	1
Dust proof protection sheet	1
Safety Guidelines	1

1.2 External dimensions, part names



No.	Name
[1]	Terminal block (Spring clamp terminal block)
[2]	Extension cable
[3]	Direct mounting hole: 2 holes of φ4.5 (mounting screw: M4 screw, tightening torque: 0.83 to 1.11N·m)
[4]	Count status display LEDs
[5]	Operation status display LEDs
[6]	Extension connector (for next module)
[7]	Name plate ^{*1}
[8]	DIN rail mounting groove (DIN rail: DIN 46277, 35 mm wide)
[9]	DIN rail mounting hook
[10]	Pullout tab

Weight: Approx. 0.2 kg
Outer painting color: Munsell 0.6B 7.6/0.2

^{*1} The ⚠️ mark indicates that the further product information can be obtained from the following manuals.

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└─MELSEC iQ-F FX5S/FX5UJ/FX5UJ/FX5UC User's Manual (Hardware)

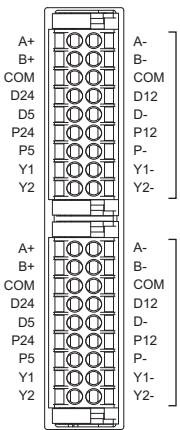
Download the manuals from the following URL.

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1.3 Indications of LEDs

LED display	LED color	Status	Indication
POWER	Green	On	Power on
		Off	Power off or error
RUN	Green	On	Normal operation
		Off	Error
ERROR	Red	On	Minor error
		Flashing	Moderate error
		Off	Normal operation
CH1/CH2	φA	Green	Phase A pulse input ON
		Off	Phase A pulse input OFF
CH1/CH2	φB	Green	Phase B pulse input ON
		Off	Phase B pulse input OFF
CH1/CH2	DEC	Green	Counter is performing down count.
		Off	Counter is performing up count.
CH1/CH2	FUNC	Green	Function start input ON
		Off	Function start input OFF

1.4 Terminal layout



For further information on terminal, refer to the following manual.

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2. Installation

[INSTALLATION PRECAUTIONS]

⚠️ WARNING

- Make sure to cut off all phases of the power supply externally before attempting installation or wiring work. Failure to do so may cause electric shock or damage to the product.
- Use the product within the generic environment specifications described in the User's Manual (Hardware) for the CPU module to be used. Never use the product in areas with excessive dust, oily smoke, conductive dusts, corrosive gas (salt air, Cl₂, H₂S, SO₂ or NO₂), flammable gas, vibration or impacts, or expose it to high temperature, condensation, or rain and wind. If the product is used in such conditions, electric shock, fire, malfunctions, deterioration or damage may occur.

[INSTALLATION PRECAUTIONS]

⚠️ CAUTION

- Do not touch the conductive parts of the product directly. Doing so may cause device failures or malfunctions.
- When drilling screw holes or wiring, make sure that cutting and wiring debris do not enter the ventilation slits of the PLC. Failure to do so may cause fire, equipment failures or malfunctions.
- The dust proof sheet should be affixed to the ventilation slits before installation and wiring work to block foreign objects such as cutting and wiring debris. However, when the installation work is completed, make sure to remove the sheet to provide adequate ventilation. Failure to do so may cause fire, equipment failures or malfunctions.
- Install the product on a flat surface. If the mounting surface is rough, undue force will be applied to the PC board, thereby causing nonconformities.
- Install the product securely using a DIN rail or mounting screws.
- Connect the extension cables securely to their designated connectors. Loose connections may cause malfunctions.
- Connect this product to the extension connector on the CPU module or on a module connected to the CPU module.

For further information on mounting, refer to the following manual.

└─MELSEC iQ-F FX5S/FX5UJ/FX5UJ/FX5UC User's Manual (Hardware)

3. Wiring

[WIRING PRECAUTIONS]

⚠️ WARNING

- Make sure to cut off all phases of the power supply externally before attempting installation or wiring work. Failure to do so may cause electric shock or damage to the product.
- Make sure to properly wire to the spring clamp terminal block in accordance with the following precautions.
- Failure to do so may cause electric shock, equipment failures, a short-circuit, wire breakage, malfunctions, or damage to the product.
 - The disposal size of the cable end should follow the dimensions described in the manual.
 - Twist the ends of stranded wires and make sure that there are no loose wires.
 - Do not solder-plate the electric wire ends.
 - Do not connect more than the specified number of wires or electric wires of unspecified size.
 - Affix the electric wires so that neither the terminal block nor the connected parts are directly stressed.

[WIRING PRECAUTIONS]

⚠️ CAUTION

- Make sure to observe the following precautions in order to prevent any damage to the machinery or accidents due to malfunction of the PLC caused by abnormal data written to the PLC due to the effects of noise:
 - Do not bundle the power line and control line together with or lay them close to the main circuit, high-voltage line, load line or power line. As a guideline, lay the power line and control line at least 100 mm away from the main circuit, high-voltage line, load line or power line.
- Check the interface type and correctly connect the cable. Incorrect wiring (connecting the cable to an incorrect interface) may cause failure of the module and external device.
- To terminal blocks, connect circuits isolated from hazardous voltage by double/reinforced insulation.

3.1 Applicable wire

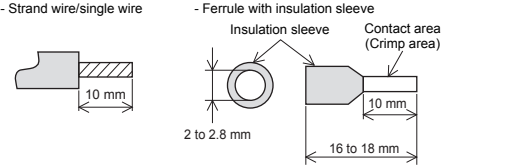
Spring clamp terminal block

Suitable wiring			
No. of wires per terminal	Wire size Single wire, Strand wire (Material: Copper wire)	Ferrule with insulation sleeve	Temperature rating
One wire	AWG24 to 16 (0.2 to 1.5 mm)	AWG23 to 19 (0.25 to 0.75 mm)	80 °C or more

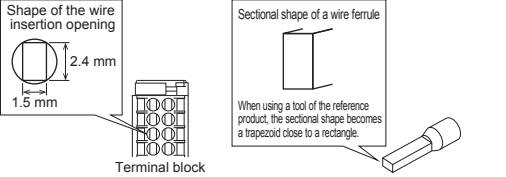
Wire end treatment

Strip the cable about 10 mm from the tip to connect a wire ferrule at the stripped area. Failure to do so may result in electric shock or short circuit between adjacent terminals because of the conductive part. If the wire strip length is too short, it may result in the poor contact to the spring clamp terminal part.

When using a wire ferrule with an insulating sleeve, choose a wire with proper cable sheath referring to the outside dimensions, otherwise the wire cannot be inserted easily.



Check the shape of the wire insertion opening with the following figure, and use the smaller wire ferrule than the described size. Also, insert the wire with care so that the wire ferrule is in proper orientation. Failure to do so may cause the bite of the terminal and the damage of the terminal block.



The following table shows wire ferrules and its associated tools compatible with the terminal block. Because the shape of the wire ferrule differs depending on the crimp tool to be used, use the reference product. If the product other than referenced products is used, the wire ferrule cannot be removed, causing damage to the terminal block. Sufficiently confirm that the wire ferrule can be removed before use. When using the FX5-2HC/ES as a UL/cUL listed product, use a reference product as well.

<Reference product>

Manufacturer (contact)	Model	Wire size	Ferrule compliant standards	Crimp tool
PHOENIX CONTACT GmbH & Co. KG (www.phoenixcontact.com)	AI 0.5-10 WH	0.5 mm	UL/cUL Listed	CRIMPFOX 6
	AI 0.75-10 GY	0.75 mm		
	A 1-10	1.0 mm		
	A 1.5-10	1.5 mm		

Connecting a wire

- When ferrules with insulation sleeve are used
 - Insert a wire with the ferrule with insulation sleeve into the wire insertion opening and push the wire.
 - When stranded wires and solid wires are used
 - Push the open/close button of the terminal block with a flathead screwdriver. While pushing the open/close button, insert the wire into the insertion opening until the wire reaches the back, and then release the open/close button.
 - Then, pull the wire lightly and check that it is clamped securely.
- <Reference>

Manufacturer	Model name of a flathead screwdriver
PHOENIX CONTACT GmbH & Co. KG	SZS 0.4x2.5 VDE

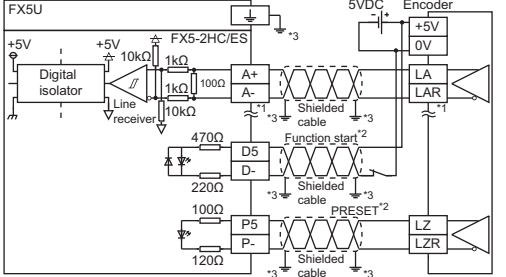
Disconnecting a wire

Pull out the wire with the open/close button pushed using a flathead screwdriver.

3.2 Example of wiring

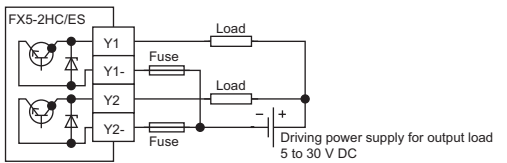
Wiring with a differential line driver output type encoder

When connecting the differential line driver (equivalent to AM26C31) output type encoder and the FX5-2HC/ES, wire the 5V system terminal as shown below.



- ^{*1} Wire the phase B in the same manner as the phase A.
- ^{*2} Do not wire it when not using the preset input and the function start (disable function or others) input.
- ^{*3} Provide a ground resistance of 100 Ω or less.

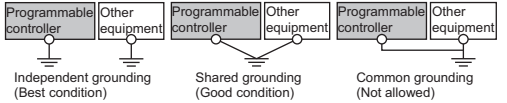
Y1 output and Y2 output wiring (sink wiring)



- Caution
- Install a protection fuse in the output. Also, use a power supply for driving a load with the capacity that is about twice the load current.
 - Source wiring is not supported.

3.3 Grounding

- Ground the programmable controller as stated below.
- Provide a ground resistance of 100 Ω or less.
 - Ground the programmable controller independently if possible.
- If the programmable controller cannot be grounded independently, perform the "Shared grounding" shown below.
- For details, refer to the following manual.
- └─MELSEC iQ-F FX5S/FX5UJ/FX5UJ/FX5UC User's Manual (Hardware)



- Bring the grounding point close to the programmable controller as much as possible so that the ground cable can be shortened.

4. Specification

[DESIGN PRECAUTIONS]

⚠️ WARNING

- Make sure to set up the following safety circuits outside the PLC to ensure safe system operation even during external power supply problems or PLC failure. Otherwise, malfunctions may cause serious accidents.
 - Most importantly, set up the following: an emergency stop circuit, a protection circuit, an interlock circuit for opposite movements (such as normal vs. reverse rotation), and an interlock circuit (to prevent damage to the equipment at the upper and lower positioning limits).
 - Note that when the CPU module detects an error, such as a watchdog timer error, during self-diagnosis, all outputs are turned off. Also, when an error that cannot be detected by the CPU module occurs in an input/output control block, output control may be disabled. External circuits and mechanisms should be designed to ensure safe machinery operation in such a case.
- To convert data of a running programmable controller, configure an interlock circuit in the program to ensure that the entire system will always operate safely. For other forms of control (such as program modification, parameter change, forced output, or operating status change) of a running programmable controller, read the relevant manuals carefully and ensure that the operation is safe before proceeding. Improper operation may damage machines or cause accidents.

[DESIGN PRECAUTIONS]

⚠️ CAUTION

- Simultaneously turn on and off the power supplies of the CPU module and extension modules.

[STARTUP AND MAINTENANCE PRECAUTIONS]

⚠️ CAUTION

- Do not disassemble or modify the PLC. Doing so may cause fire, equipment failures, or malfunctions.
- For repair, contact your local Mitsubishi Electric representative.
- Do not drop the product or exert strong impact to it. Doing so may cause damage.
- Before handling the module, touch a conducting object such as a grounded metal to discharge the static electricity from the human body. Failure to do so may cause the module to fail or malfunction.

[DISPOSAL PRECAUTIONS]

⚠️ CAUTION

- Please contact a certified electronic waste disposal company for the environmentally safe recycling and disposal of your device.

[TRANSPORTATION PRECAUTIONS]

⚠️ CAUTION

- The product is a precision instrument. During transportation, avoid impacts larger than those specified in the general specifications by using dedicated packaging boxes and shock-absorbing pallets.
- Failure to do so may cause failures in the product.
- After transportation, verify operation of the product and check for damage of the mounting part, etc.

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- (3) Special damages and secondary damages whether foreseeable or not, compensation for accidents, and compensation for damages to products other than Mitsubishi products.
- (4) Replacement by the user, maintenance of on-site equipment, start-up test run and other tasks.

⚠️ For safe use
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This product has been manufactured as a general-purpose part for general industries, and has not been designed or manufactured to be incorporated in a device or system used in purposes related to human life.• Before using the product for special purposes such as nuclear power, electric power, aerospace, medicine or passenger movement vehicles, consult with Mitsubishi Electric.• This product has been manufactured under strict quality control. However when installing the product where major accidents or losses could occur if the product fails, install appropriate backup or failsafe functions in the system.

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